



LeRoy Burdette Colbert

February 13, 1961 - October 25, 2020

LeRoy Burdette Colbert, 59, passed away on October 25th, 2020 in Circle, MT after bravely battling cancer. Visitation will be from 11:00 AM until 1:00 PM on Monday, November 2, 2020 at the Christian and Missionary Alliance Church in Richey, MT. Funeral services will be at 1:00 PM on Monday, November 2, 2020 at the Christian and Missionary Alliance Church with Pastor Paul Sponheim and Eric Rydbom S.A.M. officiating. Interment will be in the Richey Cemetery. Silha Funeral Home of Glendive has been entrusted with the arrangements.

LeRoy was born on February 13, 1961 in Sidney, MT to William and Violet Colbert. He joined brother, William Jr. (Tyke) and sister Denise (Tootie). Despite being born with cerebral palsy LeRoy didn't let that slow him down and he had a zest for life and always had a smile.

He attended school in Billings, Richey, and Jamestown. While attending the Anne Carlsen School in Jamestown, ND he learned many life skills and graduated. After graduating he returned to Richey before moving to Missoula, MT. He then returned to Richey for several years before moving to Circle, MT. Over the years LeRoy enjoyed fishing and hunting with his brother. He loved being present for harvest and riding in the combine and grain trucks. He also enjoyed any type of road trip, especially going to auctions with his brother and dad and dragging main with his sister. LeRoy had a special bond with his nieces and nephews and was always ready to give them a ride on his lap in his wheelchair. Family and friends were an essential part of LeRoy's life and

he never wanted to miss a gathering. He enjoyed having visitors and talking about local events. Anybody that knew LeRoy knew that if you were coming to visit him he was going to find out which vehicle you were driving for the trip. LeRoy had a special bond with Doris Olson, who would take care of him during ball games until he was old enough to attend. LeRoy had a passion for watching high school basketball and loved attending local games and cheering on his team and also his nieces and nephews. His love for basketball probably has him shooting hoops in heaven and preparing for a game of HORSE with his brother. LeRoy was compassionate and kind to everyone he met and all who knew him will miss his presence but we know he is healed and at peace.

LeRoy is survived by his parents, Bill and Violet Colbert, Richey, MT, his brother Tyke(Patty) Colbert, Richey, MT, his sister Tootie(Jim) Yadon, Fairview, MT, Aunt Norma Schultz, Circle, MT, Aunt Phyllis Carlsen, Sidney, MT, close friends, Hanz D. & Janet Haynie, Hanz & Sylvia Haynie, Chris & Marilyn Bateson, numerous nieces, nephews and cousins. He was preceded in death by grandparents Alfred & Carrie Unruh, Obert(Bert) & Olga Waller, several aunts, uncles and cousins.

Cemetery Details

Richey Cemetery

Richey, MT 59259

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 2. 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (MT)

Christian & Missionary Alliance Church
Richey, MT 59259

Funeral Service

NOV 2. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (MT)

Christian & Missionary Alliance Church
Richey, MT 59259

Tribute Wall



“ *LeRoy Burdette Colbert*

December 07, 2022 at 04:10 PM



“ *Our prayers for LeRoy and the Colbert family. I can still picture him at ball games with his spirit and enthusiasm.*

Larry & Kathy Vaira

Larry Vaira - November 04, 2020 at 10:00 PM



“ *Tootie and Colbert family, I am so sorry to read of the loss of your brother/son/uncle. I remember seeing LeRoy at all the basketball games & tournaments, he was Richey's biggest fan! Thoughts and prayers to you all during this difficult time.*

Doreen Vaira-Herbert

Doreen Vaira-Herbert - November 02, 2020 at 11:42 AM

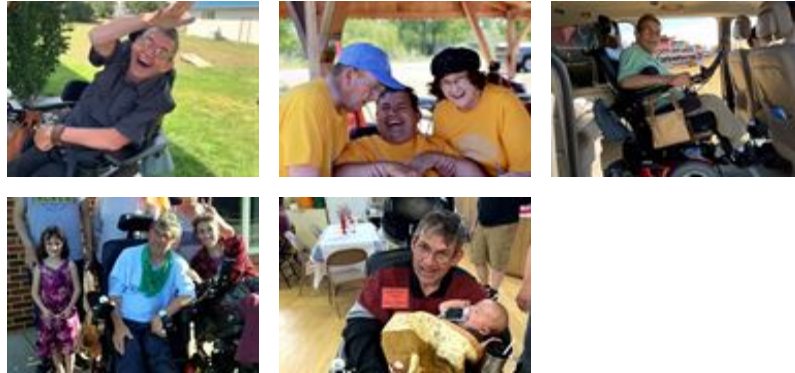


“ *I taught Leroy in Sunday school at the American Lutheran Church, Richey, MT. Always a smile, laugh and such a good natured spirit. If only all of us could be as pure of spirit and in the moment as Leroy! May your family and friends feel the love that only God can give. My condolences to all of you. Violet , you gave so much to such a wonderful person. Peace and prayers.*

Ladonna Benes - October 31, 2020 at 07:13 PM



“ 39 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Silha Funeral Home - October 30, 2020 at 04:28 PM

BA

“ *In thinking about LeRoy, I go way back to my childhood. My closest playmate was LeRoy's sister Tootie. I have so many memories of spending time with LeRoy. Tootie and I would take him in his wheelchair to the school grounds and he loved to watch kids playing on the swings or shooting baskets. I don't remember him ever complaining to either one of us about anything!! He was always so happy to get to go with us. I know how much he loved watching basketball, especially when his big brother was playing. I got to see LeRoy not that many years ago and was thrilled he remembered who I was. His smile was just as big as I remembered and it was so good to see him. Sending my sympathy and prayers to the Colbert family. He will always be remembered and brought joy to everyone he met.*

Brenda Atkinson - October 30, 2020 at 02:08 PM



“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of LeRoy Burdette Colbert.*



October 30, 2020 at 02:04 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of LeRoy Burdette Colbert.*



October 30, 2020 at 02:01 PM



“ *Emerald Garden Basket was purchased for the family of LeRoy Burdette Colbert.*



October 30, 2020 at 11:16 AM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of LeRoy Burdette Colbert.*



October 28, 2020 at 11:55 AM

ER

“ *Leroy was a blessing to everyone whose lives he touched. He will be missed and I will personally miss his smile and devotion in Church*

Eric Rydbom - Synodically Authorized Minister of First Lutheran Church, Circle

Eric Rydbom - October 28, 2020 at 10:39 AM

DW

“ *I remember LeRoy bringing cookies to recess at the elementary school and handing them out and watching us kids play. I know he wanted to be out there with us. I think some of his greatest joy in sports was watching his brother , #10 I believe play basketball. After not seeing me for probably a decade I saw him and he called me by name. I look different,I do not know how he knew me when many others did not. RIP LeRoy.*

DW - October 27, 2020 at 09:08 PM

MS

“ *Thoughts and prayers to the Colbert family. I don't know if I ever saw Leroy without a smile. He will be missed by so many. May God bring comfort during this difficult time.*

Margi Schlepp - October 27, 2020 at 10:15 AM

VT

“ *Thoughts and prayers to the Colbert Family. I remember Leroy at basketball games. He was the biggest Richey Royals fan around. Leroy had a smile that lit the room. RIP Leroy you will be missed by many.*



Virginia Huffman Tipton - October 26, 2020 at 11:21 PM

JD

“ So sorry to hear about Leroy. Sending my most sincere sympathy.

joann daeley - October 26, 2020 at 06:37 PM